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The Hon. Michael E. Powell, FCC Chairman  
445 12th Street, N.W.  
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Re: 310 Area Code Change

I am writing you in protest of again changing the 310 Area Code in this South Bay area. It is not the solution to the growing problem of cell phones, pagers, fax machines, ATM machines and credit card verification devices. You are trying to use a "band aid" approach to a growing national problem. The FCC wants to ignore what any thinking person can recognize as a very short term solution, to satisfy the vocal, high profile, wireless communication companies such as Verizon.

Until the FCC can recognize what its function truly is, to look for real solutions to our national problems, it is not performing its duty to this country.

It is my hope that you can take the steps to retain the 310 code and present positive steps to facing the problems you want to push aside. Tax payers, handicapped, and small businesses are the ones who will suffer. National companies thrive on your cooperation to their requests, while the FCC ignores those affected because we don't have the lobbyists and political clout of these communication giants to get your attention.

Please give consideration to my letter.

Sincerely,

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